



Re-enrollments for the 2013-2014 4-H Year

It's a new 4-H year! Enrollment packets for 4-H clubs can be picked up by the main club leader at the Extension office. Re-enrollments with insurance money, club financial summaries and other forms (C1000 for each leader and volunteer hours not reported yet for the past 4-H year) are due to the Extension office now.

An important reminder for club leaders: the Extension office should be notified ahead of time regarding any fundraising activities by 4-H clubs during the year to ensure proper use of the 4-H name and logo and that appropriate guidelines are followed. Questions? Contact Lisa Harness at 509-773-5817.

4-H Horse Leaders Meeting on Thursday, December 19

The next 4-H Horse Leader meeting will be on Thursday, December 19 at 6:30pm. The location is to be determined – it may be a conference call or a specific meeting location. Contact Pat Shamek at 541-993-9560 or Lisa Harness at 509-773-5817 for further details.

Interested 4-H leaders, parents and 4-H horse members who would like to be a part of planning events and education for our county horse program will want to attend these meetings. This is a good way to stay up-to-date on current 4-H Horse project information, too.

Dec. 28: 4-H Workshop – Crafting With Cards

Come in from the cold and have some fun with making crafts and cards! The workshop will be Saturday, Dec. 28 from 9am to noon at the Goldendale Grange. Join us for a fun crafting time after the holidays and get some inspiration to help you spark some ideas for doing activities during the snowy days of winter.

Several crafts are planned including making cards with stamps. Bring 3 or 4 of your favorite Christmas cards to work with. Have questions? Contact Pat Shamek at 541-993-9560.

December 30, 2013 4-H Leaders' Council Meeting

The December 30 Klickitat County 4-H Leaders' Council training and meeting will be held in the 4-H room at the Klickitat County Fairgrounds in Goldendale. The Leader training session will begin at 6:30 pm. The meeting will begin at 7pm. These meetings are where the "business" of our county 4-H program is conducted. Leaders, parents and youth who attend these meetings help determine the direction of our county program. Please attend as many meetings as you can. 4-H clubs are encouraged to have a representative regularly attend meetings.

Corrected Link for "Put the Child First"- Child Protection Training for All 4-H Volunteers

Recent state laws have broadened the legal requirements for reporting child abuse to the proper authorities. WSU Extension remains committed in its efforts to prevent the abuse and exploitation of children and vulnerable adults. In our continuing efforts to assure a safe environment for all program participants, Washington State University Extension is requiring child protection training for all faculty, staff and volunteers working with youth and vulnerable adults.

This 20-minute presentation may be viewed at any time at your home or at the Extension office on a computer. Your registration for the training will be kept in the system as proof of your participation.

Volunteers: we appreciate your compliance with this requirement. For more information or assistance with login, contact your local 4-H faculty or staff. Thank you for your attention to this very important matter.

To view the "Put the Child First" go to: <http://universalvoltraining.wsu.edu/>. Fill in the information requested and press "submit". You will soon receive an automated email from noreply@cahnrs.wsu.edu with login information to view the training presentation. The subject line will read "WSU Extension Universal Volunteer Training Registration".

If you do not have good internet access, you are welcome to watch the video presentation at the Extension office. Please call 509-773-5817 to arrange an appointment time to come in.

Revision of Klickitat County 4-H Project Records

In October 2013, 4-H leaders provided suggestions for revisions to our Klickitat County 4-H project record pages. These suggestions have been incorporated and revised project records were developed. Most revised project records were approved by Leaders' Council in November, either at 4-H Planning Day on November 2 or at the 4-H Leaders' Council meeting on November 25.

The 2013-2014 4-H year will be a transitional year for project records to make sure that everyone is using the revised forms. Several still life projects now have specific project record pages created: Clothing and Textiles, Food and Nutrition, Crocheting, Knitting, Gardening (Horticulture), and Photography. Small animal project records have also been revised for the Poultry project and the Rabbit project.

Market Livestock project records are now in a new format. They are to be used for any market livestock project: beef, swine, lamb, goat, rabbit or poultry. The revised 4-H market livestock records are required to be completed and turned in when due for a member to be eligible to sell an animal in the Market Stock Sale at the Klickitat County Fair. Market records must include pictures and a completed Quality Assurance form.

The revised project records will be available on the Klickitat County 4-H page, www.klickitat.wsu.edu/4h by mid-December. Main club leaders will receive a mailing with copies of project records (based on club members' project areas). The 4-H Permanent Record (C0935) and 4-H Record Book (C0934) for Level 2 have not changed. The Level 1 Permanent Record (C0933) and 4-H Record Book (C0932) also remain the same.

Keeping records is just one of many life skills that youth learn through project work in 4-H. Whether members are working with an animal project or gardening, sewing, creative arts or photography (just to name a few), keeping accurate records is important to get a clear picture of what was done, what income or expenses there were and what new skills and knowledge were acquired. For youth raising market animals, the importance of good recordkeeping is absolutely necessary to help ensure a safe and wholesome food supply.

4-H Horse Member Riding Time

Riding time may be available Wednesdays through March 2014 at the Klickitat County Fairgrounds from 3pm to 5pm for **currently enrolled** 4-H horse project members and leaders. **Completed enrollment forms must have been received at the 4-H office along with 4-H insurance payment (\$2 for horse project).** For more information contact Lisa Harness at the Extension office, 509-773-5817.

Klickitat County 4-H Calendar of Upcoming Events

DECEMBER 2013

- 2 4-H re-enrollments, insurance, club financial summaries due
- 9 4-H Family Living leaders meeting, 6:30pm, Goldendale Grange hall
- 21 4-H Horse Leaders meeting, 6:30pm, location to be determined
- 25 County offices closed – Christmas Day holiday
- 30 4-H Leaders' Council - training at 6:30 pm, meeting at 7 pm, 4-H room, KC Fairgrounds

**We have 2014
WSDA Calendars
available**

JANUARY 2014

- 1 County offices closed – New Year's Day holiday
- 9 4-H Family Living leaders meeting, 6:30pm, Goldendale Grange hall
- 16 4-H Horse Leaders meeting, 6:30pm, location to be determined
- 19 Cake Decorating clinic, details to be announced
- 20 County offices closed – Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday
- 21 Fair Board meeting, 7pm, Klickitat County Fairgrounds
- 27 4-H Leaders' Council - training at 6:30 pm, meeting at 7 pm, 4-H room, KC Fairgrounds



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Information for Focus Newsletter: News articles or other information for the 4-H Focus should be sent to the Extension office by the 20th of each month. Please send the information by mail to 228 West Main St., MS-CH-12, Goldendale, WA 98620, by fax: 509-773-5707 or e-mail klickitat4h@wsu.edu.